STOCKS OPENED DOWN, BUT ROSE IN LATE TRADING

Business Was Very Light and the Supply at Present Prices Appeared to Be Small.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-The attendance en the floor of the Stock Exchange and in the brokers' offices today was very light and the transactions were small. Very little interest was shown in any issues, the attitude of the street in general being a waiting one. Priced at the opening were generally % down from the final on Thursday, but later in the morning a rally occurred and the market became strong. At no time, however, was trading brisk, and business for the most part was confined to specialties. The supply of stocks appeared to be small at the present prices. The bond market attracted more interest than did the stock

market.

Reading, after opening at 140%, crossed
143; Pennsylvania touched, 104, up one
point; Bethlehem Steel advanced to 45%,
having opened at 42%. Union Pacific
showed a gain of one point at 115 on the
day's trading. Lehigh Valley reached
125% during the morning, having opened
at 129, compared with the closing of
127% on Thursday. Reading general
mortgage is were a feature in the bond
market. market, being strong at 83, up 14 from the final Thursday. Wabash 4s reached 32, an advance of 34. Based on the ex-pectation of a resumption of dividends, American Beet Sugar made a gain of

The foreign supply of stocks, which was used as a disturbing influence on Wednesday and Thursday, does not seem to materialize either in the etock market or foreign exchange market. Today foreign exchange was purely nominal, with cables quoted at 4.854/87%.

U. S. Steel falled to respond to the more favorable reports from the steel trade,

and transactions were made at the mini-mum price of 48. In the steel trade there are predictions of an advance in the price of bars, plates and shapes. Actual shipdouble those in the corresponding period in November. This is apart from contract business, of which there is now a

Favorable comment was made of the fact that the Bank of England has sold its first gold since August, the total being \$1,014,000. No announcement was made of where the gold was sent, but it is thought that it went to France.

Bank clearings of seven cities this week showed a decrease of 16.4 per cent, as compared with the same week list

Rock Island was a strong feature, selling up to 1%, up 1% from Thursday's close. The low today was %, at which price it opened. The street had it that there was a good-sized short interest in the stock, sales some time ago having been made on the idea that with the distribution of the stock of the old company the value of the stocks of the holding company would entirely disap-

N. Y. BANK STATEMENT

Reserves Decreased Over Eight Millions-Loans Larger.

A drop of \$8,176,000 was reported in the actual reserve of the New York banks for the week, while loans increased Total loans now amount to \$2,179,530,000 ith and excess reserve of \$121,874,510.

with and exce Details follow: Clearing House members' average Coans, increase Osposits, increase Cimo deposits, decrease.

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BANK EXCHANGES SMALLER

Returns for the Last Week Show a Decrease of 16.4 Per Cent.

Bank exchanges for seven cities for the week snding today show a decrease of 10.5 per cent. as commared with the same week last year. The total this week was \$2.357. 250,556, against \$2.5310.47,652 her year. Falladelphia was fourth in the list in showing smaller returns through the Clearing House, the decrease being 14.5 per cent. The Plancki Chronicle gives the total exchange falls week and the same week last year as follows: *** as follows: 1914. 1913. Per cent. 2016 1914. 1915. Per cent. 21.02 1915. Per RATES FOR MONEY

Beserve Banks' Discount Rates

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d coin and gold Dan. 24. Den. 18. printed in the control of the co Total LIABILITIES 12.08\$30,269,457

BANE CLEARINGS Bank clearings today compared with corresponding day lest two years: Philadelphia 200 000, 000 \$14, 00 000 \$10, 100 145 Boston ..., W. 610, 641 24, 750, 205 19, 074, 571

New York State Bank Call ALSANY, Dec. 26.—The State Banking De-parament has beened a call for condition of State banks as of Decumber 2s.

GOVERNMENT BONDS



PORKION ENGHANGE

SENTIMENT MORE FAVORABLE **NEW YORK STOCK SALES**

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NEW YORK BOND SALES

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cord December 34.

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RAILROAD EARNINGS

CANADIAN PACIFIC

Third week December., \$1.005,000 \$1.005,000 2010050URJ PACIFIC,

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT SEIZED

SYDNEY, I see . 20.—The Australian Government has estable the entire stock of wheat of New South Wales, except the amount marked by the farmets for seeling. The action was about to prevent appropriately from infelling crices. The Government has first the price of the sales whent at \$1.20 per bushed.

LIVE STOCK QUOTATIONS

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Am. Conton Financial Recuperation. The railroad rate decision, the continned big exports of wheat and other products and the colder weather, which stimulates retail distribution, exert the most important influence in the markets this week, say R. G. Dun & Co. in their weekly review of business conditions... December, with its holiday interruptions and inventories, is not usually a month for large developments in business activity, but the recent progress in financial recuperation, the rapid establishment of a big balance of trade in favor of this coun Central Leather ... 36 364 153% 153% 153% Chino Copper ... 32 32 31% 32 Chicogo, Mil. St. Paul ... 85% 85 84% 85 Chi.& Gt West prof ... 28 27 27 27 Distillers Sec. ... 12 11% 11% 11% Corn Products ... 8 8 8 iry and the rate decision giving a large part of the railer asked for from the Interatate Commerce Commission combine to create a favorable sentiment in busi-

General Progress Being Made in

ness.
Reports from the leading centres, while indicating no important increase in sales this week, are of one accord in foreshadowing improvement after the new year opens. In iron and steel the actual output is reduced by the holiday interrup-tions, but there are a number of favor-able developments, including prospects of larger railroad buying.

Railroad gross earnings in two weeks of December decreased 10 per cent, but it is estimated that the Eastern roads will gain about \$30,000,000 a year from the advanced rates. Nothing in the business situation is more striking than the re-markable expansion in exports, the for-eign demand for wheat being so great as to foreshadow an ultimate exhaustion of surplus supplies, notwithstanding the record-breaking yield this year. Big war and other orders from acroad for clothing and woolens are appearing.

FEDERAL BANK STATEMENT

Reserve Institutions of the Country Now Hold \$232,568,000 in Gold. WASHINGTON, Dec 26. The resources and abilities of the Federal Reserve Banks at the close of business December 24, were as follows:
Gold coin and certificates, \$232,568,000,
Legal tender notes, silver certificates and
substillary coin, \$25,748,000, making a total of
\$235,716,000.

\$25,511,000.

Bills discounted and leans of maturities within 30 days were \$4,102,000. Within 60 days.

\$2,750,000 and other maturities were \$1,700,000. Min other maturities were \$1,700,000. Min other resources aggregated \$4,815,000. All other resources aggregated \$4,815,000. Liabilities—Capital paid in, \$15,050,000. Reserve deposits (A), \$249,789,000. Federal reserve notes in circulation (II), \$3,51,000. Total liabilities (not agreement), \$221,000.

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Total Habilities (net amount), \$271, 683,000, Total Habilities, 01.7 por out.) cash reserve against all Habilities, 01.7 por out.) cash reserve against all Habilities, 101.5 per cent.

Cash reserve against liabilities, after setting aside 40 per cent, gold reserve against Federal reserve notes in circulation, 102.8 per cent.

FINANCIAL BRIEFS

Thirty-seven railroads show a decrease n gross earnings of \$2,298,104 for the secand week of December, the total earnings The Bank of England has sold its first

gold since August. The bank sold £812,000 in foreign gold coin and £402,000 gold bars. No official destination of the gold was announced, but it is believed that the coin was French money, and that the entire shipment went to France for payment to soldiers.

The New York Cotton and Coffee Exchanges were closed today.

New York banks lost \$425,000 to the Subtreasury on Thursday, and since Friday have lost \$7,007,000.

Commercial failures for the week (five days) ending December 23 were 432, com-pared with 466 last week, and 288 in the corresponding week of last year.

Twenty-four railroads report for the second week of December a decrease in earnings of \$927,675 gross or 11.34 per cent.

William M. Barrett, president of the Adams Express Company, in reply to reports that the company is to go out of business, issued the following statement: "We are absolutely not considering re-tiring from the transportation business. because we confidently believe that through a readjustment of arrangements for express privileges to neet the changed conditions and from continued efforts to reduce expenses the result of the operations will in the near future be more favorable."

The Cleveland Stove Company has emitted the dividend on its stock.

The Dwight Manufacturing Company re duced its semi-annual dividend from \$30 to \$10, placing the stock on a 4 per cent. per annum basis instead of 12 per cent. as heretofore.

The New York Stock Exchange announced that, in order to adjust the price of Central Trust Company certificates of interest in Southern Pacific Company stock to conform to the price of Southern Pacific Company stock, the minimum price of the certificates is established at 92 for full paid and 86 for part paid.

The visible supply of cotton this week was 5,700,290 bales, against 5,545,529 last week and 6,028,185 last year.

The Rock Island foreclosure sale is expected to be confirmed on January 2, but the pledged stock will not be ready for exchange for collateral bonds until January

Proposals will be received until December 2 by Perth Amboy, Middlesex County, N. J., for \$160,000 4½ per cent. 30-year water bonds.

Ledyard Heckscher, manager of the blast furnace department of the Alan Wood Iron and Steel Company, has been elected president of the Eastern Pig Iron Association.

Need Not Consult Commission HARRISHURG, Dec. 28.—In the case of the sorough of Gettseburg, the Fennsylvania Public Service Commission has handed down a desisten that a municipalty has the right to enstruct its own plant to furnish steericity for its street lighting, and not for alc, without obtaining the consent of the summission. sien.

thiic service company that furnished urg with lighting filed a protost with ministen that brought shout the de-

BAR SILVER New York communcial tar silver was quoted at 45% per cent. today, unchanged.

WOMAN FATALL YBURNED Her 9-year-old Son Badly Injured

Trying to Extinguish Fire.

Trying to Extinguish Fire.

NEW YORK, Dec. E.—Mrs. Lillian
Curtin, wife of Coroner's Physician
Thomas H. Curtin, is at the point of
death in the Fordham Hospital as the result of burns received when her night
dress caught fire in an unexplained
manner early this morning. She rushed
into an adjoining room where her nineyear-old son Thomas H. Jr., added his
screams to here. He tried to best out
the flames which wrapped Mrs. Curtain
and was himself burned painfully.

Neighbors responded to the criss of
mother and child and Mrs. Curtin was
carried to the hospital.

First Cotton Off for Germany

STAGNATION RULED IN LOCAL MARKET; COALERS STRONG

Rise in Reading and Lehigh Valley Due to Stimulus of Cold Weather-Brokers' Offices Deserted.

As can be deduced from the day's total sales of 1009 shares, a state of almost complete stagnation prevailed on the local Stock Exchange this morning. Scarcely any hundred-share lots changed hands, the trading being made up of blocks varying from 1 to 30 shares. Only 115 shares of United States Steel, usually the most active issue in the Philadelphia market, appeared on the tape, while seven shares of Reading made up the day's total for that stock. The price, however, was advanced a point to 71. Naturally fluctuations were devoid of much significance, Steel remained at its minimum figure, but Lehigh Valley moved up over a point on a few sales, and Philadelphia Electric also hardened. Tonopah Belmont was the most active issue.

About the only people to be found in brokers' offices, saids from the clerks, were a few newspaper men trying to gather news. Brokers, however, pointed out that the market looked to have been out that the market looked to have been pretty well sold out on the decline this week and were inclined to hope for better things next week. The strength of the anthracite shares was attributed to the cold snap, which has stimulated a brisk demand for coal. The mines this week only worked four days and there will be a similar holiday again and there

stantial decreases from the same period 1913 in bituminous and coke, but a slight gain in anthracite. The latter totaled 1,017,942 tons, against 987,487 last year, while bituminous shipments fell from 4,509,375 to 3,667,385 tons. Coke de-clined from 1,228,514 to 853,412 tons.

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MAYOR URGES ABOLITION OF CITY'S GASOLINE LAMPS

vide work for the unemployed.

Two thousand copies of the letter were mailed. In it the Mayor points out that he has sent four messages to Councils since the introduction of the ordinance, urging its immediate passage.

The ordinance receiving that the Tolled The ordinance provides that the United Gas Improvement Company shall connect

Philadelphia Markets

GRAIN AND FLOUR WHEAT. Receipts, 70,835 bush. There was a fair expert demand and values were well sustained. Quotations: Car jots, in export slevator No. 2 red, spot and December \$1.25@1.204; No. 2 red Western, \$1.82@1.50 1 Northern Deluth, \$1,3661.30. CORN,-Receipts, 20,842 hush. There was

fair local inquiry and the market ruled very firm under light offerings. Quotations: Car lots for local trade, as to location—No. 2 yel-low, new, 758755;c.; steamer yellow, new, 749744c.; No. 1 yellow, new, 729734c.; sample yellow, new, 68970c.; new cob, per 701be, 67965c. pis yailow, new, d8970a; new rot, per 70 lbs. 675665.

OATS.—Recaipts, 10,488 bush. The market was quiet but firm, with supplies of desirable stock well under control, quotations; No. 2 white, 555656; standard white, 545656c; standard white, 545656c; standard white, 545650c; No. 3 white, 5456454;

BYE.—The market ruled firm under scarcity. We quote at \$1,0891,18 per bush, as to quality and location.

FLOUR.—Receipts, 950 bbls. and 2,294,455 lbs. in sacks, Trade was quiet, but mili insist wers well austained. Quotations per 196 lbs. in wood: Winter clear, \$4,0095.30; do., patent, \$5,2506.50; do., patent, \$1,0596. Kansas, straight, fate stuke, \$5,3506.50; do., patent, \$1,0596.50; do., patent, \$1,0596.50; do., patent, \$1,0596.50; do., patent, \$1,0596.50; do., favorite brands, \$4,0596.60; city mills, regular grades—winter, clear, \$4,9096.10; do., straight, \$0,2595.30; do., patent, \$5,0596.10; do., patent, \$5,0596

PROVISIONS

POULTRY

Nestern corn-fed 316 bs. 14c.: Western corn-fed 216 bs. 155c. Spring gene. 15c/1c. Spring gen

FRESH FRUITS

VEGETABLES

POSTOFFICE MAKES RECORD

Immense Quantity Delivered With-

out Congestion or Damage.

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Mail carriers and postal authorities are boasting today of the greatest achievement in the history of the Philadelphia Postoffice. More mail than ever before was handled without the alightest sign of congestion, a new system put into operation for the first time yesterday working out even batter than had been expected.

Exact figures as to the amount of mull handled are not yet available. Houghly estimated, there was an increase of to per cast, in the letters over last year's record, 108 per cent, more postal cards, and 108 per cent, more pasted past pack-

HANDLING CHRISTMAS MAIL

PROVISIONS
The market was quiet and without important hange. Quotations: City beef, in sets, maked and air dried 28020c; Western keef, in sets, smoked and air dried 28020c; Western keef, in sets, smoked 8900c; October and in dried 20020c; Western keef, knucklies and tenders, smoked and in dried 20020c; October hamas smoked 20000c; October hamas 55034; Dork, family \$23 50022; hamas 55034; Dork, family \$23 50022; hamas 55034; Dork, family \$23 50022; hamas 55034; Dork, family \$25 50022; hamas smoked Western wred, 14463bc; do. bottled bousless 2009 lc, pirale shoulders, S. P. cured locas, 154016; do. bottled bousless 2009 lc, pirale ahoulders, S. P. cured locas, 154016; do. bottled bousless 2009 lc, pirale shoulders, according to average, locas, 14405 c.; brankfast bacon, as to brank and average, 515 cured 18610c; do. Western cured, \$2500c; lard, Western refined, tlefcos, 115 lace, do. do. do. tube, 145114c; do. pure lty, kettle rendered, in tube, 115114c.

REFINED SUGARS Trade slow and prices unchanged. Rethers' list prices: Standard granulated, 50:, fine granulated, 4,05c., powdered, 5,05c; confections' A, 4,55c.; soft grades, 4,10474,70c. DAIRY PRODUCTS

DAIRY PRODUCTS

BUTTER.—The usual Saturday quietude prevalled in this market, but receipts were light and the market ruled firm. Quotations: Western, fresh, solid-packed, creamery, fancy specials, Sic., extra, Soc., extra, first, 33 g34c.; firsts, sig32c.; seconds, 27g2Dc.; ladio-packed, 22g34c., as to quality; marrly prints, tancy, 38c., do. average extra, idedate, do. firsts, 33elide.; do. seconds, 27g2Dc.; ladio-packed, 23g34c.; do. average extra, idedate, do. firsts, 33elide.; do. seconds, 27g2Dc.; ladio-packed, 58c., do. average extra, idedate, do. firsts, 31silde.; do. seconds, 27g2Dc.; ladio-packed, solider, and first and first and do. seconds, press, blanch of the limited receipts of fire new-laid eggs, values of which were firm. Quotations in free cares, nearby, extrus, 44c. per doz, nearby firsts, \$12.60 per darriy firsts, \$12.60 per case; Western extra firsts, \$12.60 per case; of, firsts, \$12.per case, Southern, \$11.40@11 per case. Refrigerator eggs, spring packed, as to quality, 12g2Co per doz, fancy selected candied fresh eggs were jobbed out at 47g4de, per doz.

CHEESE—Trade quiet and offerings moderate but ample. Prices unchanged, Quotations: New York full-cream, earlier receipts, choice, 10c., do., do., do., carrent make, choice, 15c., do., do., fair to good, 14kg914gc.; do., part skims, \$613c. will be a similar holiday next week. The Pennsylvania Railroad's fuel ship-ment figures for November showed sub-

LOCAL STOCK AND BOND SALES

LOCAL BID AND ASKED

*Ex-dividend.

Points Out How \$70,000 May Be

Saved by Substituting Gas. The delay of City Councils in passing an ordinance which would substitute gas for obsolete gasoline lighting systems in several sections of the city is called to the attention of the public today by Mayor Blankenburg in an open letter. The ordinance, which was introduced on March 8 last, provides for an annual saving of \$70,000 to the city, together with the acquisition, at the end of the gas lease, of property amounting to \$500,000. The Mayor urged passage of the ordi-nance at this time because it would pro-

The ordinance provides that the United Gas Improvement Company shall connect with the city's gas main system more than 11,000 lamps now burning gasoline, and that this shall be done at no cost to the city. The candle-power of these they replace.

The reduction in price will result in an annual saving of \$8.00 for each lamp, or a total saving of almost 170,000 a year," and the Mayor in his letter. "The ordinance provides that the maximum price shall be \$13 a year for the igating of the same and if a rear for the gas consumed. It is agreed between the city and the company that the lamps burn \$16,000 in 12,000 or \$12.00 is saved to them from time to time. This saved the met price \$13.00 or \$12.00 is saved the working of main and that the sharps burn \$16,000 in 12.00 in 12.

FATHER KIDNAPS HIS SONS AS XMAS GIFT TO HIMSELF

Ex-newspaper Man Takes Boys From ex-Wife,

ex-Wife,

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 26.—A sensational kidnapping, in which "Jerry" and "Jack" Conway were spirited away from the city by their father, E. Jesse Conway, director of the Committee of Mercy of New York city, has baffied the Indianapolis police. Conway formerly was a prominent Indianapolis newspaper man. The children were taken from the side of their mother on Christmas Eve by their father. Mrs. Conway obtained a divorce from Conway last September, and the decree gave her possession of the two little boys. The father came divorce from Conway last September, and the decree gave her possession of the two little boys. The father came to Indianapolis Thursday morning and told Mrs. Conway that he wished to give the children a Christmas dinner at the Claypool Hotel. When Conway found that the mother had prepared to accompany the two children, he is said to have bjected. Mrs. Conway followed, but the man hurried the children into the cab and, getting in himself, slammed the loor in the face of the mother. It was not learned if there was any one else Mrs. Conway has been employed here in an effort to provide for her two boys.

1.485.957 ALIENS CAME TO U.S.

Of These Public Health Services Ex-

amined a Million. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 .- According to an announcement made by the United States Health Service today, 1,009,854 imnigrants were examined at the port of New York during the last fiscal year. Allens enter the United States through 80 different places, which include 25 seaports. They can embark from any one of 25 foreign ports to come to this coun-

Exclusive of the railway lines continuously bringing immigrants over United States borders, more than 190 steamship companies carry immigrants. As certain steamship companies have vessels ariving at from two to five different ports, it has been found by calculation that there are 173 lines of immigrant travel to this country. These transportstion lines brought into

the United States during the last fiscal year 1,435,937 immigrants. Of this num-ber, 41,236 were certified as having diseases either deportable or reportable

BANKER FREED FOR CHRISTMAS Pardoned by President, Enjoys Day With Sick Family. LYONS, Neb., Dec. M.-Charles Mc-

Monies, banker of this town, pardoned from the Leavenworth Federal Prison by President Wilson in order that he might spend Christmas with his sick wife and their two children, reached here yester-day afternoon and had dinner at his The little girl, who was thought to be

dying, is somewhat improved. Mrs. Mc-Monies, who is suffering from pasumonts, is also slightly better. McMonies was met at the depot by a arge number of old friends, who escorted him to his home. "It is the most pleasant Christmas of

my entire life." said Mr. NcMonies. "I never knew before what Chr. simas resulty meant. I know now how to appreciate liberty and will make the most of it." 1200 COKE OVENS RELIGHTED

Boom in Connellsville Region After Long Idleness. CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 28,-Twelve undred coke ovens in the Connellsville region that have been banked for some time were relighted, and a report shows an appreciable increase in production for

Three bundred and fifty merchant ovens are to be added to the active list next week, with the prospect that still further additions will be made early in January.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA

Arrived December 25 Kronprins Olav (Nor.), Santiago, Iron A. McCarthy, Grecian, Hoston, passengers and mer-line, Merchants and Miners' Transporta-

Steamships to Arrive

Mchican, Nerfolk, merchandise, Clyde ship Company,

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Cambrias King
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Liverpool
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Cardiff
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Steamships to Leave

PASSENGER, For. Glasgow Liverpool PRESIGHT.

FREIGHTS AND CHARTERS Evalues in the steam market is still re-tricted because of the dearth of carriers. Rates re high and firm. Inquiry for sailing ton-ings for transatiantic trades is growing. STEAMSHIPS.

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Farnfield (Br.). Haltimore to Bordeaux or St. Nazaire, grain. 20,000 quarters. Ts. 6d., option part outs. In Sol., January. Ferniary (Br.). Haltimore to Bordeaux or St. Nazaire or Nation. Grain. 25,000 quarters. St. Nazaire or Nation. grain. 25,000 quarters. St. 6d., Sanuary and February.

Cicutaham (Br.). from the Atlantic range to Marseilled grain. Il.,000 quarters. Ss., option Piracits. St. 8d., or St. Nazaire or Berdeaux, Ts. 8d., option oats to Bordeaux or St. Nazaire, 5s. 6d. January.

The sol. January. The Gulf to Prench Atlantic ports. grain. 30,000 quarters. Ts. 9d., February and March.

Schr. John B. Manning. 255 tons, Jacksonville to a bord north of Haltersa, lumber, gravate terms. coal out, Baltimore to Maport, grivate terms.

Movements of Vessels Sim. Sobine for Philadelphia, was ITS west of Tortugas at T p. m. Decem-

Paraguay. Philadelphia for Sabine. was nies west of Tortugas at 6 h m. DecemT. Tuncon, towing sohr. Delaware Sun,
ing for Philadelphia, was ten miles seat of
the Bar at 6 h m. December 25.
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10 miles southwest of Frying Fan Hahti
at 7 h h; Recember 15.
T. Persian, Jacksonville for Philadelphia,
46 miles northeast of Tybes at 7 h, m.
milet 25.
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Author December 25.

PORT OF NEW YORK Steamships Arriving Today

DESTRUCTION OF THE PARTY OF Steamships to Leave

ANOTHER SECTION OF THE PARKWAY TAKEN BY CITY

Plan Entails Opening of an Additional Stretch of Ground-Work Progressing on Improvements.

Another section of the Parkway is now eing taken by the city of Philadelphia Hearings are to be held before the Beard of Viewers early in January. The planentails the opening of a part of the Parkway between Appletree street and 17th street, in the 10th Ward. The ordinance covering the plan was approved July

The properties taken entirely in this section are:

Nos. 115-117-119-121-123-125-127 North 1711street and Nos. 1630-1633-1634-1636-1635 Cherry street. The properties partly taken are:

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of grade.

The work of taking down these properties or such as are in the bed of the Parkway has been assigned to contractors and is now well under way. Work has been commenced at the southof grade. five or six properties are nearly down.

It will be recalled that this is the section lying in the Parkway in which the ansessments were advanced in 1912. It is almost the only instance where the Board of Revision of Taxes has advanced a block of properties after they have beor parkway. The advance did not ex tend on Cherry street, between lith street and 18th street, and supposedly more de-sirable for business purposes.

WORK WEST ON PARKWAY. In that part of the Parkway lying between the west side of Logan Square and 22d street workmen have been extremely busy during the last month, tearing down condemned properties. Nos 238 and 245 West Logan Square are down. All the properties on the south side of Vine street, between Logan Square and 20th atreet, the east side of 20th atreet and the south side of Vine street, west 4f 20th street, are now coming down rapidly in all, some 30 or 40 dwellings have been raised to the ground. The only properties to be spared are the saloons which have a reprieve while owners and tenants are trying to have the licenses transferred.

A rather serious situation is liable to

A rather serious situation is liable to develop in properties on the south side of Vine street from 2020 to 2002. These properties are not all taken and will be boarded up. From a real entate point of view, it would be better to take such buildings down at once, as by the fine the owners receive the awards there will be little left of them.

This situation rather offsets the claim often made by the city that portions of buildings left in such a proceeding must be considered.

NOTES ON THE STREET. Mortgages for five business days of record, including Tuesday, are as fol-

borthwest corner 40th and Wainsi streats.

20,000 — Tabernacle Evangelical Leitheran Church to Protection Building abit Loan Association, northeast cerum.

20,000—Armat Knitting Mils to Central Trust and Bavings Company, surheast side of Armat after, 120,14 feet northeast Germantown avanue.

20,000—I Knoell to Robert Blum Bunding Association, northwest side Kenangton avenue, 66 feet scuthwest Lehigi avenue.

The holiday influence is plainly felt and little business will be done until after the new year. The lists of auction sales to take place during the next few weeks are not as large as usual. Interest rates are firmly held. It is, however, the opinion of real estate men that all money needed will be forthcom-

ing and that a 5 per cent mortgage rais. flat, will be obtainable early in the new year. LESSOR. BILLED AS BRYAN'S "CO-STARS"

Salon Singers Were With Secretary on Chautauqua Circuit. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 -Official Washington is enjoying a laugh at the expense of Secretary of State Bryan, whose name is being used to boost a quintet of vaudavills performers at a local theatre. The singers are billed for New Year's week and the advance notice of their coming

ppeared in the program of the theatre the following fashion: EPECIAL ARTISTIC ADDITIONS
THIS SALON SINGERS
Five Famous Solists from the
Greatest American Bands and Orchestres
Who Last Beason Co-startes With
SECRETARY OF STATE BRYAN
In a Tour of the Chautangus Cirmis. In the announcement the salon singers do not figure as headliners, but are al-

WANTS MORE WARSHIPS

oat at the bottom of the bill

Stephens, of California, Says They Are Needed on Pacific Coast WASHINGTON, Dec. M.-Barresentathat the House naval program be ex-panded to include 16 new submartnes to-stead of cight, and eight new desirered instead of six, when the full mambership of the House Committee on Naval Affairs meets heat week to determine finally on the naval program.
The California mamber says these extra naval vessels are needed to protect the Pacific coast.

COOKS AND CHEERS AT 108 NEW YORK, Dec. M.—hira Alice Car nett, who colebrated her their brithly anniversary Thursday at her hous, it Websiter avenus, in the Fureyon a visio of Brooking, also celebrated Carlot, by cooking the Christmas birsay dis-and assusing her grandchilden agreed-grandchildren with Thieside and of Freiend as it was 10 years ago.

ONE OFFRICH MEAL FOR 1500 LOS ANGELES, One M. Room on was the prime skill at the Y. M. C.